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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Examiner:

James Lin

Jaya Pathak et al.

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Method And System Of Purifying Polymers For Use With Implantable

Medical Devices

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Examiner Lin:

This is a response to the office action dated April 26, 2006. Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-10, 13 and 15-18, drawn to a method of manufacturing an implantable medical device or coating.

A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted herewith.

The undersigned authorizes any fees that may be required, or credit of any overpayment to be made to Deposit Account No. 07-1850.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number shown below.

Date: May 18, 2006

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